ಕೊಡಿಸುವುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕರ್ತವ್ಯ. ರಿಸರ್ವ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನವರು ಅವರ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಒಪ್ಪಿದ್ದರೆ ಒಂದು ಕಡೆ ಡಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿಕ್ಟ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನಿಂದ ಹಣವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ಆ ಹಣಕ್ಕೆ ಫೆಸಿಲಿಟೀಸ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟು ಕಮರ್ಷಿಯಲ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನಿಂದ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ಫೆಸಿಲಿಟೀಸ್ ಕೊಡದೇ ಹೋದರೆ ಜನರಿಗೆ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಏಕೆಂದರೆ ಈ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನ ಬಡ್ಡಿ ದರಕ್ಕೂ, ಆ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನ ಬಡ್ಡಿ ದರಕ್ಕೂ ಬಹಳ ವ್ಯತ್ಯಾಸ ಇದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹೆಚ್. ರಂಗನಾಥ್.—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷಿಣಿಯವರೆ, ವಿರೋಧ ಪಕ್ಷದವರ ಅಭಿಮತವೇ ನಮ್ಮ ಅಭಿಮತ. ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವ ವ್ಯತ್ಯಾಸವೂ ಇಲ್ಲ. ಈ ಕಮರ್ಷಿಯಲ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ನಮ್ಮ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಗೆ ಬಾರದೇ ಇರುವುದರಿಂದ ಈ ಫೆಸಿಲಿಟೀಸ್ ಕೊಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಪತ್ರ ಬರೆದಿದ್ದೇವೆ ಅವರು ನಮಗೆ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟರೆ ಆಗಬಹುದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹೆಚ್ ಹನುಮೇಗೌಡ.—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಆ ರೀತಿ ಫೆಸಿಲಿಟೀಸ್ ಕೊಡದೇ ಹೋದರೆ ಆ ಬಡ ಜನರ ಹೊಲ ಮನೆಗಳು ಹರಾಜಾಗುತ್ತವೆ, ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಯಾರು ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರರು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ ಹೆಚ್. ರಂಗನಾಥ್.—ನಮ್ಮ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನಿಂದ ಸುಮಾರು ೨ ಕೋಟಿ ೧೩ ಲಕ್ಷ ೩೦ ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿ ಸಾಲ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಕಮರ್ಷಿಯಲ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನಿಂದ ೭೦ ಲಕ್ಷ ೪೦ ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿ ಸಾಲ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನಿಂದ ಸುಮಾರು ೧೭,೯೭೦ ರೈತ ಕುಟುಂಬಗಳಿಗೆ ಹಣವನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಕಮರ್ಷಿಯಲ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನಿಂದ ೭,೨೨೨ ಕುಟುಂಬಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಅನುಕೂಲ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹೆಚ್. ಹನುಮೇಗೌಡ.—ಹಾಗಾದರೆ ಈ ೭,೨೨೨ ಜನ ಹಾಳಾಗುತ್ತಾರಲ್ಲಾ ಸ್ವಾಮಿ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹೆಚ್. ರಂಗನಾಥ್.—ಇದು ನಮ್ಮ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲವಾದ್ದರಿಂದ ನಾವು ಇದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕಾನೂನು ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಈಗ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಪಕ್ಷವೇ ಆಡಳಿತ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ತಾವೇ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಶಿಫಾರಸು ಮಾಡಿ ನಮಗೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಕೃತ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ಗಳಿಂದ ಹಣ ಕೊಡಿಸಿದರೆ ಆಗ ನಾವು ಹಣವನ್ನು ಹಂಚುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗುತ್ತದೆಂದು ಹೇಳಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

(೫೫) *Re : Non-payment of salary to the staff of Bembalgi College, Ramdurg.*

SRI R.S. PATIL (Ramdrug).—Madam Speaker, I call the attention of the Minister for University Education and Wakfs to the non-payment of salary to the staff of Bembalgi College, Ramdurg.

SRI S. M. YAHYA (Minister for University Education and Wakfs).—Madam Speaker, in response to the Calling Attention Notice of the hon. Member Sri R. S. Patil, I wish to make the following statement:

This College is a Private College receiving aid from Government : All grants due to the College from Government have been paid except the On Account Grant for the year 1976-77. Applications for On Account Grant should reach the Director of Collegiate Education by 30th September of each year. Eleven Colleges (including this College) submitted applications late. The applications of this College was received on 7th October 1976. Hence it did not receive the On Account Grant before 31st March 1977. Orders releasing On Account Grants to all these eleven Colleges have been issued on 6th April 1977.

2. This College is one of the Colleges which has not been paying salaries regularly to its employees. Payment of salary is essentially a matter between the employer (the College) and its employees. Government is not responsible for payment of salaries to the Aided College employees. However, in order to see that the grant-in-aid paid to a College is utilised for the purposes of payment of salaries, the Department of Collegiate Education has introduced a scheme whereby it opens an account in a Bank at the place of the College where the grant to be paid to the college is credited. The College concerned has also to credit its share to this account. The employees are asked to open accounts in the same Bank. The Bank after receiving clearence from the Department credits the salary of each teacher to his account. The On Account Grant to be released to this College will be governed by this scheme. The exact information about the number of months for which salary has not been paid in this case is being ascertained.

(iii) *Re : Death of 13 persons due to burst of Transformers at Hotel Ashoka, Bangalore.*

SRI AMIR RAHAMATHULLA KHAN (Basavanagudi).—Madam, I call the attention of the Minister of State for Information and Power to the death of 13 persons due to the burst of the transformers at Hotel Ashoka, Bangalore.

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY (Minister for State for Information and Power).—Madam Speaker, in response to the Calling Notice of the hon. Member Sriyuths Rahamathulla Khan and K.R. Srinivasulu Nayudu, I wish to make the following statement.

My attention has been called to the burst of Transformer at Ashoka Hotel, Bangalore resulting in loss of human lives and loss of property on 8th March 1977.

I would like to bring the following facts connected with the case to the notice of the House.

On 8th March 1977 at about 11-30 hours in the morning, a complaint was received in the service station of Karnataka Electricity Board near Anandrao Circle that there was power failure in the Ashoka Hotel. Two Supervisors of Karnataka Electricity Board accompanied by two linemen went to attend to the complaint. When they reached the High Tension Switchgear room in the premises of the Ashoka Hotel, the Electrical Engineering staff of the Ashoka Hotel were already inside the switchgear room. After the switch fuse Unit (V, L. Unit) was inspected by the Karnataka Electricity Board Supervisors and as the fuses were intact, the switch was closed